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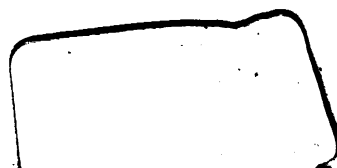
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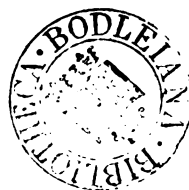
NOTES ON
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IN THE PROVINCIAL TOWNS OF
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PRINTERS AND PRINTING IN THE PROVINCIAL TOWNS OF ENGLAND AND WALES.

THAT the history of our provincial presses, although a subject of considerable interest, should hitherto have been almost entirely neglected by local historians is somewhat remarkable. Ten years have now passed since the publication of the late Mr. Davies' "Memoir of the York Press," a work well worthy of imitation; and yet such ancient cities and towns as Exeter, Bristol, Norwich, and Shrewsbury, concerning the prolific presses of any of which a volume almost equal in size and interest to that on York might well be compiled, are still neglected.

In 1863 the Rev. S. F. Cresswell issued a small quarto of forty-four pages, entitled "Collections towards the History of Printing in Nottinghamshire;" in 1864 Mr. J. H. Hinde read before the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle-on-Tyne an interesting paper on "Printing at Newcastle in the Seventeenth Century;" a list of books and another of pamphlets, published in Liverpool, have been printed in the "Transactions of the Historic Society of Lancashire and Cheshire;" the press of Manchester has been noticed in Mr. Proc-

tor's "Memorials of Manchester Streets;" Mr. Worth, in his "History of Plymouth," gives a short notice of the press of that town; Rowlands' "Cambrian Bibliography," edited by Mr. Silvan Evans, gives some valuable information concerning the Welsh press, but it is unfortunately confined to those who have a knowledge of that language, and the author has included undated books in his chronological arrangement somewhat at random. Besides these and a few other instances, the history of a provincial town will sometimes be found to contain a paragraph or two devoted to a list of newspapers, their births, sicknesses, and deaths; one of these paragraphs will usually be found to notify that the proprietor and publisher of the local history is also the proprietor of the "oldest established newspaper now extant in the town." It is surely not too much to expect of the historian that he should devote a tithe of his researches, and one chapter of his book, to the history of that noble art by means of which he is enabled to communicate the result of his labours to the literary public, and to hand it down to posterity.

For some few years after the introduc-

tion of the art of printing into this country, we find it encouraged and fostered by the highest authorities of the land, ecclesiastic and lay, presses being established at Westminster, Oxford, and St. Alban's; and in 1 Rich. III. an Act was passed by which strangers connected with the art were permitted to take up their abode and exercise their calling in England. This, however, does not seem to have caused the establishment of any provincial press, strictly so called, except that of York. The Act remained in force till 1533, when a sufficient number of Englishmen having made themselves acquainted with the art apparently found the foreigners somewhat intrusive; accordingly a new Act was then passed, declaring the former one void, and prohibiting the sale by retail of printed books brought from beyond sea.

Some few years later on presses were established at Ipswich, Canterbury, and Worcester; but they were at work for a short period only, the earliest being established in 1547 while the latest is silent after 1553. A press was set up at Norwich in 1568, but that also lasted for a few years only, and from this period it seems to have become the settled purpose of the legislature to discourage the exercise of the art in provincial towns, an Act being passed in 1583 actually forbidding its use except in London and the two Universities of Oxford and Cambridge. The press of York, it may be remarked, had been silent for just over half a century.

The celebrated Marprelate press, and those carried from place to place during the civil wars, are well worthy of consideration; but, not being properly speaking provincial presses, their movements cannot be entered into minutely here. We may, however, note that during these troublous times presses were at work at Bristol, Shrewsbury, Exeter, and York, and since then the last named has never again been without a printer, special provision being

made in 1649 by an ordinance of Parliament for the press of that city, and for the "printing-press now used in Finsbury," in addition to those of London and the two Universities. In 1644, when the city of York fell into the hands of the Parliamentarians, the Royalist printer, Stephen Bulkley, removed himself and his press to Newcastle, where he continued to reside and practise his art till after the Restoration, when he returned to the city of York.

In 1662 was passed a very restrictive Act of Parliament, which stipulated "That no person or persons within the City of London, or the Liberties thereof, or elsewhere, shall erect or cause to be erected any Press or Printing-house, . . . unless he or they . . . shall first give notice to the Master or Wardens of the Company of Stationers. . . . For the time to come no man shall be admitted to be a Master-Printer, until they who are now actually Master-Printers, shall be by death or otherwise reduced to the number of Twenty, and from thenceforth the number of Twenty Master-Printers shall be continued, and no more, besides the King's Printers, and the Printers allowed for the Universities. . . . That the Printing-Press in the City of York be not restrained; so as all Bookes of Divinity there printed, be first Licensed by the Archbishop of York; and all other books be first Licensed by such persons to whom the licensing thereof doth appertaine No Bibles to be printed there."

This Act was voted to continue at different times till 1666, when a Committee was appointed to examine it, after which several Bills on the subject were presented to Parliament and rejected; but in 1685 the Act of 1662 was again revived and continued in force till 1693, after which date, notwithstanding the efforts of the interested monopolists to restrict it, the exercise of the art became practically free, and rapidly spread through the provinces.

We now arrive at that part of our subject which the present paper is principally intended to illustrate. Exeter, Plymouth, Bristol, and Shrewsbury were all possessed of presses before the end of the seventeenth century; and in another score of years twenty other towns at least could chronicle the advent of a press, though its establishment was not in all cases permanent. In 1724 we have it on record from a contemporary writer, one Negus, that there were twenty-eight printing-houses in the country, and that Bristol, Canterbury, Chester, Norwich, Nottingham, Shrewsbury, and York were each possessed of two. Let it be noted, however, that the list compiled by Negus is incomplete, for it does not include either Reading or Exeter, in the latter of which two printers at least were then exercising their art.

Of course it is to be expected that the men who led the way into the provinces, especially with newspaper enterprises, did not always make a first happy choice of a town to settle in. Thus Robert Raikes, the father of the founder of Sunday-schools, tried both St. Ives in Huntingdonshire, and Northampton, before he finally settled at Gloucester; whilst one William Parks, after trying successively Ludlow, Hereford, and Reading, emigrated to America. In 1739 another start was made at Hereford by Willoughby Smith, concerning whom, in a letter from William Brome to Dr. Richard Rawlinson, dated Feb. 23rd, 1742, we have the following information:—"In some of your letters you enquired after printing-presses in England: last spring I set an house I have in Hereford for that business: and since Christ-mass my tenant in one night removed all his effects and press, and put up, or somebody for him, over the door in capitals

"'Pray Landlord Landlord be content
With the Key instead of your rent.'

And the key was under the door."*

It would not be possible to enter fully into the further progress of the provincial press in a paper of this kind; but, in order to give some idea of its rapid development down to the end of the eighteenth century, a tabular list is appended,† showing the earliest date at present ascertained at which a printing-press is known to have been at work in each provincial town of England and Wales. The list is no doubt in many instances capable of correction; but it is compiled with the hope of stimulating librarians of town libraries to follow the example already set by Birmingham and other centres,‡ to collect and preserve the local literature of their respective districts, and especially to secure, while yet obtainable, any books, pamphlets, ballads, or broadsides having the slightest pretence to be called early specimens of local presses, not only of their own cities or towns, but of other places in their several neighbourhoods.

Archdeacon Cotton's "Typographical Gazetteer" having been compiled under specially disadvantageous circumstances, is naturally imperfect in information on this subject, and the accompanying list will be found to supply an earlier date, in most instances; but where a later one is given, *e.g.* Bath, it may be taken as a correction.

* Rawlinson MSS., Letters, xxxi. 93 (Bodl. Lib.).

† See Appendix. "Table of Places in England and Wales; with their earliest specimens of Typography."

‡ I am informed by Mr. Briscoe of Nottingham, that the Free Library there, as also those of Leicester and Cambridge, possess local collections.

TABLE OF PLACES IN ENGLAND AND WALES,
WITH THEIR EARLIEST SPECIMENS
OF TYPOGRAPHY.

Place.	Date.	Printer.	Book or Pamphlet, &c., Printed.	Authority.
Aberhonddu or <i>Brecknock, q.v.</i>				
Abertawy or <i>Swansea, q.v.</i>				
Abingdon, Berks.	1528.	J. Scholar.	Portiferium.	Em. Coll. Camb.
Albans (St.), Herts.	1771.	J. Stacey.	D. Turner's Rhetoric.	Bodleian.
	1480.		Rhetorica nova fratris L. G. de Saona.	Bodleian.
Alnwick, Northumb.	1534.	J. Herford.	Lyfe and passion of saint Albon.	Brit. Mus.
	17—.	T. Lindsay.		Hindley.
Alston, Cumb.	1790.	J. Catnach.		"
Ashby-de-la-Zouch.	1799.	J. Harrop.	Alston Miscellany.	Bodleian.
Atherstone, Warwick.	1760(?)		J. Garner's Sermon.	J. P. E.
Aylesbury, Bucks.	1800.	J. Harris.	J. Chartres' Sermon.	W. H. A.
	1778.	For T. Dagnall.	Aylesbury Races [a poem].	Bodleian.
Bala, Merioneth.	1748(?)	J. Rowland.	E. Rowland's Pedwar o Gywyd-deu.	Rowlands.
Banbury, Oxon.	1771.	J. Cheney.		Mr. Cheney.
	1781.	"	Sale Catalogue, Fr. Pigot, Esq.	
Barnstaple, Devonsh.	c. 1790.	F. Murch.	For the Information of the Ignorant [broadside].	J. R. C.
Bath.	1733.	F. Farley.	To the Fore-Chairman [a poem].	Brit. Mus.
Bedford.	1785.	B. Hyatt.	Bedfordshire Directory.	Bodleian.
Berkhamstead, Herts.	1793.	W. McDowall.	N. May's Sermons.	"
Berwick-on-Tweed.	1754.	R. Taylor.	J. Locke's Natural Philosophy.	"
Beverley, Yorkshire.	1510.	H. Goez.	A broadside.	Ames.
"	1798.	M. Turner.	R. & W. Stephenson's advt.	Bodleian.
Birmingham.	1716.	M. Unwin.	J. Southall's Sermon.	Cotton.
"	1717.	"	J. Parkinson's Loyal Oration.	Birm. Library.
Blackburn, Lancashire.	1792.	J. Waterworth.	J. Walcot's Indian Convert.	Bodleian.
Blackley, Lancashire.	1791.	W. Harrison & Co.	L. Howel's Desiderius.	Manch. FreeLib.
Blandford, Dorsetshire.	1786.	For W. Sollers.	Form of Prayer.	Bodleian.
Bocking, Essex.	[1788].	Fenno & Shearcroft.	J. Mason's Spiritual Songs.	"
Bodedern, Anglesey.	1734.	L. Morris.		Cotton.
Bodmin, Cornwall.	1793.			"
Bolton, Lancashire.	1761.			"
"	1784.	B. Jackson.		W. H. A.
Boston, Lincolnshire.	1731.		Boston Weekly Journal.	"
"	1770.	C. Preston.	G. Boyce's Reply to Wesley.	Bodleian.
Bosworth, Leicestersh.	1775.	R. Grimley.		Cotton.
Bradford, Yorkshire.	1785.	W. Portch.	J. Wingrove's Hymns.	Bodleian.
Brecknock.	1772.	E. Evans.	S. Llewelyn's Caniadau, &c.	Rowlands.
Brentford, Middlesex.	c. 1763.	P. Norbury.	Description of Kew.	Bodleian.
Bridgenorth, Salop.	1797.			Power.
Bridgewater, Som.	1767.			W. H. A.
"	1790.	S. Symes.	R. Anstice on Carriages.	Bodleian.
Bridlington, Yorks.	1793.	J. Leadley.	Beauties of Thought.	"
Bridport, Dorsetshire.	1786.	S. Margrie.	The Antient Coins [a poem.]	"
Brighton, Sussex.	c. 1780.	For J. Bowen.	Description of Brightelmstone.	"

Place.	Date.	Printer.	Book or Pamphlet, &c., Printed.	Authority.
Bristol.	1546.			Power.
"	1643.	R. Barker.	Association of Cornwall & Devon.	Bodleian.
"	1695.	W. Bonny.	J. Cary's State of England.	"
Bromsgrove, Worc.	17—.			Cotton.
Buckingham.	1777.	J. Seeley.		
Bungay, Suffolk.	[1796].	C. Brightley.	Rules of Harleston Volunteers.	W. H. A.
Burnley, Lancashire.	1798.	S. Thornton.	Works of Flavius Josephus.	Col. Fishwick.
Burslem, Staffordshire.	1796.	J. Tregortha.	M. Bosanquet's Christian Guide.	Bodleian.
Bury, Lancashire.	1793.	R. Haworth.	M. Moore's Spiritual Pilgrimage.	L. G.
Bury-St.-Edmunds.	1717.		Suffolk Mercury.	N. and Q.
"	1720.	Baily & Thompson.	T. Birch's Two Sermons.	Bodleian.
Caermarthen.	[1723.]	N. Thomas.	D. Lewis' Bwyd Enaid.	Revue Celt.
Cambridge.	1521.	J. Siberch.	Galen de temperamentis.	Bodleian.
Canterbury.	1549.	J. Mychell.	Psalter, or Psalms of David.	Ames.
"	1717.		Kentish Post.	Caxton Exhib.
"	1722.	For J. Abree.	J. Bartlett's Poems.	W. H. A.
Carlisle.	1784.	J. Milliken.	Bp. Law's Theory of Religion.	Brit. Mus.
Carnarvon.	1797.	T. Roberts.	E. Jones' Carol ar Conwest.	Rowlands.
Chelmsford.	c. 1730(?)		Chelmsford Chronicle.	Cotton.
"	1764.		Chelmsford Chronicle.	Caxton Exhib.
Chelsea, London.	1745.			Cotton.
Cheltenham.	1786.	S. Harward.	John Smith on Chelt. Waters.	Bodleian.
Chertsey, Surrey.	1792.	E. Dundas.	The Chertsey Instructor.	"
Cheshunt, Herts.	1778.	T. Baldwin.	J. Parnell, Auction Bill.	"
Chester.	1656(?)			Cotton.
"	[1711].		J. Cowper's Sermon.	Bamburgh.
Chesterfield, Derby.	1774.	J. Bradley?		Cotton.
Chichester.	1724.			Negus.
Chippenham, Wilts.	1765.		Self-commissioned Apostle.	Bodleian.
Christchurch, Hants.	1792.			Cotton.
Cirencester.	1720.	T. Hinton.	E. L. Griffin's Table of Fees.	Bodleian.
"	1742.	G. Hill.	A. Palmer's Gospel New-Creation, 3rd Edit.	J. I. D.
Clipstone, Northamp.	1799.	J. W. Morris.	A. Fuller's Gospel its own Witness.	Bodleian.
Colchester.	1648(?)		Choak-Peare for the Parliament.	"
"	1733.	J. Pilborough.	J. Tren's Two Discourses.	"
Congleton, Cheshire.	1790.	J. Dean and Son.	Sermon before Freemasons.	L. G.
Coventry.	1721.	S. Davis. (<i>W. Shakespeare</i>)	Ratiocination upon Voting.	Bodleian.
Cowbridge, Glamor.	1770.	R. and D. Thomas.	D. William's Dedwyddol, &c.	Rowlands.
Crediton, Devon.	1775.			Cotton.
Crewkerne, Somerset.	1788.			"
Croesoswallt or <i>Oswestry, q.v.</i>				
Croydon, Surrey.	1788.		Gray's Elegy in French and Latin	Bodleian.
Darlington, Durham.	1771.	J. Sadler.	M. Raine's English Rudiments.	"
Deptford, Kent.	1793.	J. Delahoy.		Cotton.
Derby.	1720.	S. Hodgkinson.	The Derby Post-Man.	N. and Q.
Deritend, Warwicksh.	1791.	J. Belcher.	Account of Birmingham Riots.	Bodleian.
Devizes, Wiltshire.	1769.	T. Burrough.	Trans. of Portuguese Memorial.	
Devonport.	1770.		Plymouth Magazine.	R. N. W.
Dolgelly, Merioneth.	1799.	T. Williams.	S. T. Hanes y Byd.	Rowlands.
Doncaster, Yorkshire.	1724.	[— Ward].		Negus.
Dorchester, Dorset.	1798.	T. Lockett.	New Weymouth Guide.	Bodleian.
Dorking, Surrey.	1789.		Edwards' Tables of Distance.	Cotton.
Douglas, Isle of Man.	1783.	J. Briscoe.	Acts of Tynwald.	Bibl. Monens.
Dudley, Worcestersh.	1794.	J. Rann.	Description of Dudley Castle.	Cotton.
Duffield.	178—.	— Richards.		Redfern.
Durham.	1733.	J. Ross.	Durham Cathedral, as it was.	Bodleian.
Edmonton, Middlesex.	1792.	E. Brown.	Erwood's Auction Bill.	
Egham, Surrey.	1791.	C. Boulton.	Bp. Wilson's Principles and Duties, &c.	W. H. A.
Enfield, Middlesex.	1794.	J. Poole.	Rules of Enfield Amicable Soc.	Bodleian.
Epsom, Surrey.	1746.	for M. Laugham.	Love and Loyalty [a novel].	"

Place.	Date.	Printer.	Book or Pamphlet, &c., Printed.	Authority.
Eton, Bucks.	c. 1607*	J. Norton.		Cotton.
"	1730.	J. Pote.	Catalogus alumnorum.	Bodleian.
Etruria, Staffordshire.	1787.		J. Wedgwood's Catalogue, 6th ed.	"
Evesham, Worcestersh.	1791.	J. Agg.		Cotton.
Exeter.	1645.	For T. Hunt.	Thos. Fuller's Good Thoughts.	Brit. Mus.
"	1688.	J. B.	Speech of Prince of Orange.	Bodleian.
"	1698.	S. Darker.	Bread for the Poor [by R.D.]	"
Falmouth, Cornwall.	1753.	M. Allison.	Sam. Walker's Sermon.	"
Faringdon, Berks.	1798.	L. Piggot.	[J. Stone's] Hist. of Faringdon.	"
Finsbury, London.	1646.	W. Bentley.	The Holy Bible.	"
Frome, Somersetshire.	1796.			Cotton.
Gainsborough, Linc.	1776.			Cotton.
"	1778.	J. Mozley.	H. Hodgson's Effusions of the Heart.	Bodleian.
Gateshead, Durham.	1652.	S. Bulkeley.	T. Wolfall's Doctrine and Practice of Renovation.	J. H. Hinde.
"	1710.	J. Saywell.	Newcastle Gazette, or Northern Courant.	Adv. Libr.
"	1807.	J. Marshall.	The Botanist's Guide, vol. ii.	Bodleian.
Gloucester.	1713†	T. Cobb.	The Young Cobler of Gloucester.	"
"	1722.	R. Raikes & W. Dicey.	Gloucester Journal.	N. and Q.
Glynde, Sussex.	1770.			J. P. B.
Gosport, Hants.	1708.		Churchwardens' Accounts.	Cotton.
"	1710.	J. Philpott.	E. Waller's Trip to Portsmouth.	Brit. Mus.
Grantham, Lincolnsh.	1790.	W. Allen.	List of Aldermen.	Bodleian.
Gravesend, Kent.	1786.	R. Pocock.		Cruden.
Greenwich, Kent.	1554.†	C. Freeman.	A faythfull Admonycion.	Bodleian.
"	1748.	T. Henderson.	J. Butley's Sermon.	"
Guildford, Surrey.	1763.	C. Martin.	J. Geere on Plays, Games, &c.	Brit. Mus.
Halifax, Yorks.	1759.	P. Darby.	A Treasury of Maxims.	Bodleian.
Hanley, Stafford.	1799.		Packet for Youth.	C. W. S.
Hart Hill, Cheshire.	1796.		Dr. T. Percival's Father's Instructions.	Hotten.
Harwich.	1784.			Power.
Hastings, Sussex.	1797.		The Hastings Guide.	Hotten.
Haverfordwest, Pemb.	1798.	— Potter.		W. H. A.
Helston, Cornwall.	1798.	T. Flindell.	Pope's Essay on Man.	Bibl. Cornub.
Hendon.	17—.	A. Hamilton.		Timperley.
Henley-on-Thames.	1780.			Power.
"	1789.	G. Norton.		W. H. A.
Hereford.	[1721].	W. Parks.	Pascha; or, Dr. Prideaux examined.	Bodleian.
Hertford.	1772.			
Hexham, Northumb.	1780.	W. Ord.	An Account of certain Charities.	Bodleian.
Highgate, London.	17—.	A. Hamilton.		Timperley.
Hinckley, Leicestersh.	1773.	W. Ward.		W. H. A.
Hitchin, Herts.	1800.	J. Bedford.	Regulations for Review at Hatfield.	Bodleian.
Holt, Norfolk.	1800.	J. Parslee.	E. Bartell's Observations on Cromer.	"
Holywell, Flint.	1798.	E. Carnes.	R. Davies' Cnewyllyn mewn Gwisg.	Rowlands.
Horsham, Sussex.	1784.	A. Lee.	Journal from Bassora to Bagdad.	Brit. Mus.
Horslydown.	1777.	J. Brown.	J. Toulmin's Memoirs of Socinus.	"
Howden, Yorksh.	[1797].	J. Savage.	Hist. Account of Wressle.	Bodleian.
Huddersfield, Yorksh.	1778.	J. Brook.	W. Moorhouse's Sermon.	G. W. T.
Hull, Yorkshire	1740.			Cotton.
"	1745.		List of Subscribers to Assoc. at York.	W. H. A.

* This was a private press belonging to Sir H. Savile.

† Possibly a fictitious imprint.

‡ Supposed really to have been printed abroad.

Place.	Date.	Printer.	Book or Pamphlet, &c., Printed.	Authority.
Ipswich, Suffolk.	1534(?)	R. Oliver.	Juvenci Historia Evangelica.	Cotton.
"	1548.	A. Scoloker.	Certeayne Precepts by H. Zuinglius.	Bodleian.
"	1548.	J. Overton.	J. Bale's Illustrium scriptorum maioris Britannie summarium, &c.	"
"	1548.	J. Oswen.	The Mynde of M. Jhon Caluyme.	"
"	1584.		Gempertinga transl. by G. P.	Brit. Mus.
"	1636.*		[W. Prynn's] Newes from Ipswich.	Bodleian.
"	1744.		J. Harrison's Sermon.	W. H. A.
Islington, London.	1748.		Whitehead's Manners, a Satire.	Brit. Mus.
Ives (St.), Huntingdon	1718.	J. Fisher.	St. Ives Post.	Bodleian.
"	1718.	R. Raikes.	St. Ives Post Boy.	"
Ives (St.), Cornwall.	1720.		St. Ives Mercury.	Cotton.
Kendal, Westmoreland.	1731.	T. Cotton.	Kendal Courant.	Nicholson.
Kenilworth, Warwick.	1777.	S. Thornton.	Concise History of K. Castle.	Bodleian.
Kidderminster.	1785.	N. Rollason.	W. Jesse's Discourse.	"
Kingsbury, Midd.	1781.			Power.
Kington, Hereford.	1793.	J. Barrel.	J. Lodge's Introductory History of Hereford.	Bodleian.
Kirkham, Lancashire.	[c. 1790].	H. Moon.	Description of Blackpool.	Manch. FreeLib.
Knaresborough.	1787.	M. Broadbelt.	Remarkable hist. of Robin Hood.	Bodleian.
Lancaster.	1783.	H. Walmsley.	Names of the High Sheriffs.	L. G.
Leeds, Yorkshire.	1718.	J. Hirst.	Leeds Mercury, vol. ii., No. 49.	Caxton Exhib.
Leicester.	1724.			Negus.
"	1739.		T. Davy's Additional Supplemt.	Bodleian.
"	[1741].	M. Unwin.	Account of Trial of John Flawn.	Brit. Mus.
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